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- The value of BC origin exports fell 9.7% year-to-date to February compared to the first two months of 2007. The forest sector was the most significant contributor to the decline as the reduction in housing starts in the US has resulted in a slump in demand for building products.

- Solid wood product exports plunged 31.4% over the first two months of 2008 compared to the same period a year earlier. Every major wood product group experienced a double-digit decline in value of shipments. The largest export category, softwood lumber, was down 32.4%.

- The value of shipments of newsprint was almost reduced by half (-47.1%) in the January to February period of 2008, compared to the same period a year earlier. As a result, overall pulp and paper exports were down 2.9%.

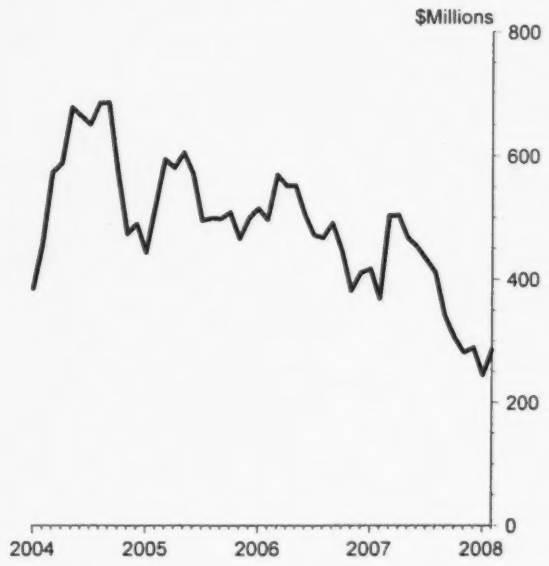
- Energy product exports also fell (-4.6%) as reductions in exports of both natural gas (-11.3%) and electricity (-17.6%) offset increases in shipments of coal (2.6%) and other energy goods (+29.1%). In the case of natural gas, the decline was due to falling prices, as quantities shipped actually climbed 9.9%. Coal prices were much lower as well, as quantities of coal exported increased 39.5%.

- A drop in shipments of copper ores and concentrates (-25.0%) and unwrought aluminum (-21.2%) drove overall metallic mineral product exports down (3.8%). Fabricated metal products performed far better, recording a substantial 19.5% increase compared to 2007.

- Exports of machinery and equipment dipped 3.8% despite a 19.9% jump in shipments of electrical, electronic and communications equipment. The most significant drop was for scientific, photographic and measuring equipment (-21.1%).

- BC's commodity exports to the United States were 15.0% lower in the first two months of 2008 compared to the same period a year earlier. Despite a 26.2% rise in exports to Mainland China, BC's shipments to the Pacific Rim edged down 0.9%. Significant declines in exports to Japan (-14.3%) and Taiwan (-14.4%) helped wipe out the increases in shipments to China, South Korea (+17.5%) and Hong Kong (+6.1%).

Softwood lumber exports have slumped considerably in the last year

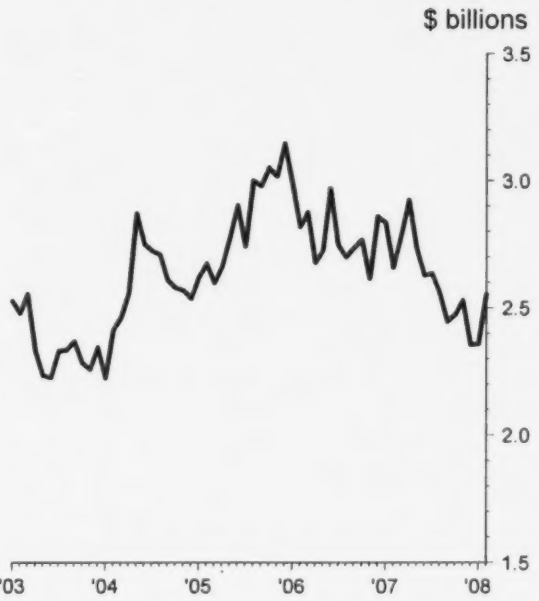


SEASONALLY ADJUSTED EXPORTS

Seasonal adjustment supplies a means of making month-to-month comparisons by removing the regular periodic seasonal fluctuations that occur. Variations from normal seasonal patterns are revealed in the seasonally adjusted data series.

- BC exports jumped 8.2% in February, which was the strongest month-over-month growth since December 2006. The growth was robust for most major commodity groups, with the exception of machinery, equipment and automobiles, which dipped 0.8%.
- Exports to the US climbed 9.5% in February, while shipments to the rest of the world grew 6.4%. For the US, energy was the main commodity group driving the increase with a spike in growth of 33.2% over January.

Exports (adjusted for seasonality) showed strong growth in February



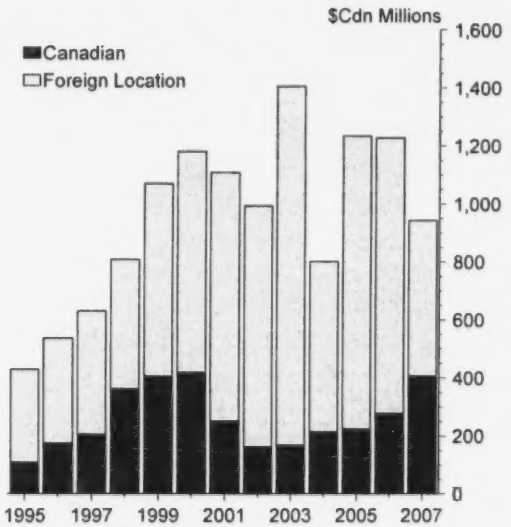
BC Exports, Seasonally Adjusted ($Millions)

Month	Agriculture & Fish	Energy	Forest Products	Machinery& Equip, Auto	Industrial, Consumer	Total	Exports to USA
Feb 2006	184	570	1,130	369	565	2,819	1,763
Mar	184	590	1,101	416	585	2,875	1,774
Apr	181	549	1,075	357	516	2,678	1,710
May	193	522	1,079	352	578	2,724	1,714
Jun	191	570	1,106	379	720	2,967	1,698
Jul	201	493	1,042	350	661	2,748	1,674
Aug	198	508	1,059	339	596	2,699	1,648
Sep	207	512	1,043	376	595	2,734	1,632
Oct	208	444	1,038	393	683	2,766	1,608
Nov	201	444	1,005	354	611	2,615	1,596
Dec	208	538	1,028	382	701	2,857	1,722
Jan 2007	208	515	1,119	363	630	2,835	1,754
Feb	200	550	978	369	562	2,658	1,652
Mar	210	544	1,060	378	592	2,783	1,715
Apr	200	565	1,119	376	662	2,922	1,726
May	189	570	1,014	335	625	2,734	1,618
Jun	182	510	989	340	607	2,628	1,608
Jul	169	532	981	348	605	2,635	1,610
Aug	181	489	988	351	551	2,560	1,581
Sep	196	469	834	358	589	2,446	1,499
Oct	177	511	873	341	569	2,471	1,487
Nov	170	499	878	346	634	2,528	1,445
Dec	187	453	857	318	540	2,356	1,408
Jan 2008	184	478	812	329	555	2,358	1,367
Feb	196	545	858	326	626	2,552	1,498

Call of the Loonie: American Film & Television Productions Shun BC in 2007

Similar to many Canadian industries dependent on customers in the United States, the BC film and television sector experienced a downturn in 2007 as the march of the Canadian dollar to parity with its US counterpart hurt the industry's ability to attract American productions to British Columbia. Overall spending on film and television production in the province fell 23%, from over $1.2 billion in 2006 to $943 million in 2007.[1] The effects of the rising dollar, combined with work stoppages resulting from a strike by screenwriters, hit foreign location film and television production hard, as spending on foreign productions plunged 44%.

Overall film and television production spending was down in BC in 2007, but spending on Canadian productions was up



Source: BC Film Commission

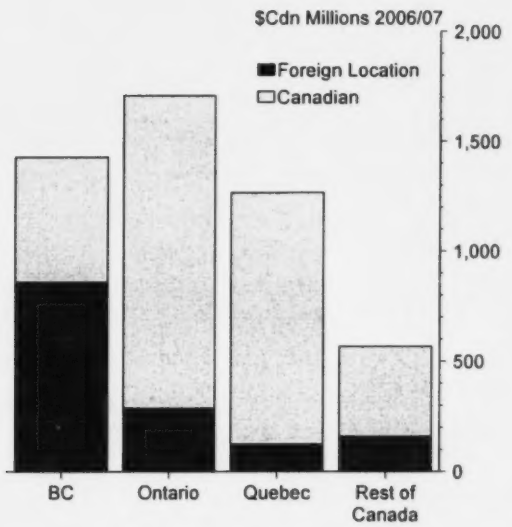
On the other hand, spending on domestic production surged 47% to its highest level in seven years, partially mitigating the drop in foreign production. It is possible that some of the increase in domestic production was due to a jump in demand resulting from the writers' strike, as well as the increased availability of crew and studios that would normally be reserved for major American film and television productions.

BC continues to rely far more heavily on foreign production than other provinces. According to an annual industry report,[2] over the last ten years the average proportion of Canadian film and television production expenditures comprised of foreign location shooting was 34%. In Quebec, where domestic production for the francophone market dominates the industry, the average was only 17%, while in Ontario, 23% of film and TV production expenditures were from foreign sources. By way of contrast, in BC the ten-year average was 69%.

[1] Source: BC Film Commission.

[2] *Profile 2008: An Economic Report on the Canadian Film and Television Production Industry* is the latest in an annual series of reports published by the Canadian Film and Television Production Association with the collaboration of l'Association des producteurs de films et de television du Québec and the Department of Canadian Heritage using facts and figures prepared by the Nordicity Group Ltd. Note that the figures quoted from this publication may not be consistent with those from the BC Film Commission due to definitional and methodological issues, as well as the fact that it uses fiscal year measurements instead of the calendar year figures used by the BC Film Commission.

BC is far more reliant on foreign location film and television production than the rest of Canada



Source: Canadian Heritage, CFTPA, APFTQ (Profile 2008)

Having lost the currency advantage they once enjoyed, the Canadian film and television sectors are having to depend more on incentives such as tax credits to lure foreign location (and even domestic) productions. When both Ontario and Quebec recently raised their tax credits to remain competitive in the pursuit of foreign location productions, British Columbia followed suit, matching Ontario's credits.

However, other Canadian provinces are not the only regions trying to entice filmmakers with incentives. Other locales, including American states, such as Louisiana and New Mexico, offer similar incentives to film producers. The big budgets and the ancillary benefits of having a blockbuster Hollywood production film in a particular location have spawned many imitators of Canada's tax credit strategy. As a result, the incentives available to film and television producers have become more lucrative as each region tries to one-up the other.

At some point, British Columbia may be either unable or unwilling to match another region's incentives, which could leave BC's film production industry with a shortage of foreign productions wanting to film in the province. One way to break that dependence on the export market would be to try to develop more of a domestic industry; however, this may be easier said than done.

Domestic production in British Columbia is dominated by television productions, including both series and movies of the week. In comparison to spending on projects for television, feature films are a minor component of Canadian productions filmed in BC. On average, approximately one in five dollars spent on domestic production in BC is on feature films. For foreign location productions, on the other hand, feature films are responsible for almost half of expenditures, on average.

The emphasis on television over feature films for Canadian productions is not just a BC phenomenon. Canadian feature filmmakers face a number of challenges, including securing financing for production as well as funding for the marketing and promotion of the finished product. In addition, even finding venues in which to screen Canadian movies can be difficult. The major film studios all have their own distribution arm and since they are the premier source of the big blockbuster films that bring in the largest box office receipts, the exhibitors want to ensure that they are able to show those films. To do this, they have to be willing to offer up a screen for a major Hollywood release when the studios want it, even if it means bumping another film, such as an independent Canadian product.

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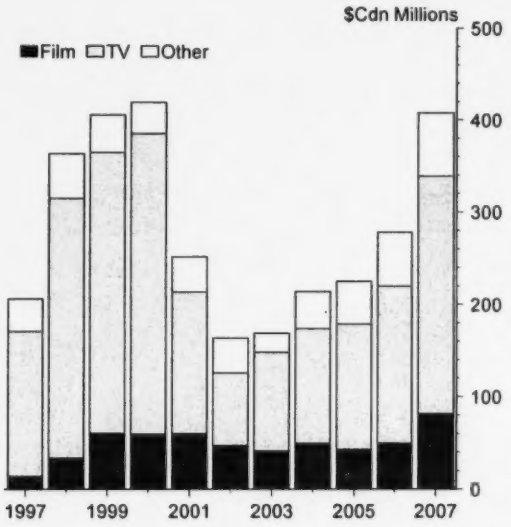
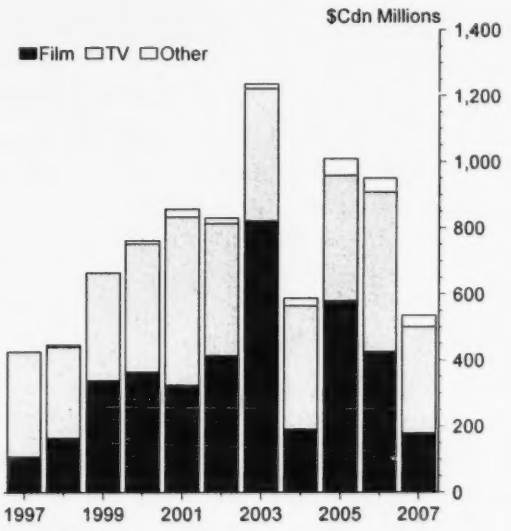


...whereas for foreign location productions shot in BC, film is equally as important as TV



Source: BC Film Commission
Other is Animation, Documentaries and Short Films

According to the Profile 2008 report published by the Canadian Film and Television Production Association, Canadian feature films were responsible for only 3.2% of Canadian box office revenues in 2007, compared to 88.9% for American films and 7.8% for other foreign films. A discouraging fact for Canadian filmmakers is that box office revenues for Canadian films fell 20%, despite the fact that there were more films playing (112 in 2007 compared to 99 in 2006).

The fact that Canadian films were prominent in the nominations for Academy Awards suggests that quality is not necessarily the reason for the decline. Rather, it may be the other challenges faced by Canadian films such as lack of promotional funds, shortage of venues and smaller budgets. According to Profile 2008, all of the top ten films in the English language market in terms of box office were American productions. Most of these were big budget productions such as *Transformers* and *Spider-Man 3*, which ranked first and second respectively in box office receipts in Canada.

Television productions do not face the same difficulties, for the most part, as feature films, having the advantage of Canadian content regulations to ensure they have a venue for their product. Nevertheless, the Canadian television industry also finds it difficult to compete with American programming. Similar to the feature film market, all of the top ten television series in Canada were of American origin.

If Canada's film and television production industry is to continue to thrive, it is likely that it will have to find a way to get Canadians more interested in domestic products. Given the fact the loonie is expected to remain at or near par for some time to come, the industry is going to find it more difficult to continue to attract foreign location productions. With the possibility of an actors' strike occurring in the next few months, 2008 could prove to be another challenging year for BC's film and television sector.

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NOTES

Countries Included Within World Regions:

(1) Western Europe: United Kingdom, Ireland, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland.

(2) Eastern Europe: other Europe, including all of Russia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, etc.

(3) South East Asia: Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam, Singapore, Myanmar, Kampuchea, Laos, Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam.

(4) Africa: continental Africa, excluding Ethiopia, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Egypt.

(5) South America: continental South America from Colombia and Venezuela south to Chile and Argentina, including offshore islands, but not Caribbean.

(6) Central America and Caribbean: from Guatemala and Belize to Panama, plus Caribbean Islands.

(7) Pacific Rim (including Japan): Japan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam, Singapore, Laos, Mongolia, China, Indonesia, North Korea, South Korea, Philippines, Macau, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam, Australia, Fiji, New Zealand.

(8) Pacific Rim: as above, but excluding Japan.

(9) Middle East: from Turkey and Iran south through the Arabian Peninsula. Excluding Afghanistan and Pakistan, but including Cyprus, Ethiopia, Egypt, Somalia, Sudan and Libya.

The **European Union** is the membership as of January 1, 2007: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom.

'Selected Value-added Wood Products' category includes prefabricated houses, doors, windows, furniture, moulding, siding, etc. It does not include panel products, shakes, shingles or any pulp and paper products.

Revisions

Statistics Canada revises trade data for the previous three data years with release of the December data. The revision number is indicated in the footer of the tables (e.g., Rev 1 is the first annual revision, etc., and Prelim indicates it is the first release of data to December for that year). In addition to annual revisions, Statistics Canada revises the data for the previous data year every quarter (indicated in the footer by Rev Q1, etc) as well as with the release of the January and February data.

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B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS TO SELECTED DESTINATIONS

	FEBRUARY			YEAR-TO-DATE			ANNUAL		
	2007	2008	CHANGE 2007-08	2007	2008	CHANGE 2007-08	2005	2006	2007
	VALUES ($,000)		(%)	VALUES ($,000)		(%)	VALUES ($,000)		
United Kingdom	25,917	19,730	-23.9%	62,591	49,017	-21.7%	420,970	386,225	401,569
Germany	50,321	36,345	-27.8%	72,762	55,680	-23.5%	470,595	446,919	463,525
People's Republic of China	113,229	171,257	51.2%	231,707	292,415	26.2%	1,325,453	1,485,885	1,744,284
Hong Kong	11,786	16,338	38.6%	25,495	27,059	6.1%	213,166	199,209	166,501
Taiwan	44,049	28,001	-36.4%	75,040	64,248	-14.4%	498,722	520,727	462,415
Japan	318,598	324,596	1.9%	647,977	555,369	-14.3%	4,163,763	4,706,764	4,101,901
South Korea	86,718	101,825	17.4%	167,077	196,333	17.5%	1,167,734	1,364,544	1,307,817
India	10,321	6,104	-40.9%	21,023	12,268	-41.6%	196,511	345,944	234,254
Australia	12,622	14,786	17.1%	27,751	31,939	15.1%	180,187	171,496	223,528
Mexico	15,445	26,485	71.5%	29,950	42,221	41.0%	236,979	185,277	198,567
United States	1,524,152	1,412,491	-7.3%	3,182,272	2,705,410	-15.0%	22,101,477	20,518,688	19,103,018
other	250,626	261,118	4.2%	529,959	551,977	4.2%	3,191,718	3,136,549	3,147,459
Total International Exports	**2,463,784**	**2,419,074**	**-1.8%**	**5,073,605**	**4,583,937**	**-9.7%**	**34,167,276**	**33,468,226**	**31,554,837**
1) Western Europe	201,078	172,106	-14.4%	379,694	361,939	-4.7%	2,452,969	2,263,317	2,297,753
2) Eastern Europe	3,761	24,719	557.3%	16,247	33,008	103.2%	128,635	115,992	174,180
3) South East Asia	26,908	43,012	59.8%	89,589	82,580	-7.8%	450,577	523,622	522,224
4) Africa (exc. Egypt & Mid-East)	4,171	13,872	232.6%	10,398	23,601	127.0%	58,455	57,498	72,610
5) South America	41,663	22,281	-46.5%	78,731	56,401	-28.4%	437,323	480,787	406,155
6) Cent. Amer. & Caribb. (exc. Mex.)	6,282	10,699	70.3%	21,446	26,724	24.6%	106,767	114,165	106,064
7) Pacific Rim (including Japan)	617,640	704,352	14.0%	1,271,680	1,260,748	-0.9%	8,077,523	9,034,931	8,596,275
8) Pacific Rim (excluding Japan)	299,042	379,756	27.0%	623,703	705,379	13.1%	3,913,760	4,328,167	4,494,374
9) Middle East	34,661	20,726	-40.2%	53,959	51,362	-4.8%	308,782	296,122	281,683
	SHARE OF TOTAL (%)								
United Kingdom	1.1%	0.8%		1.2%	1.1%		1.2%	1.2%	1.3%
Germany	2.0%	1.5%		1.4%	1.2%		1.4%	1.3%	1.5%
People's Republic of China	4.6%	7.1%		4.6%	6.4%		3.9%	4.4%	5.5%
Hong Kong	0.5%	0.7%		0.5%	0.6%		0.6%	0.6%	0.5%
Taiwan	1.8%	1.2%		1.5%	1.4%		1.5%	1.6%	1.5%
Japan	12.9%	13.4%		12.8%	12.1%		12.2%	14.1%	13.0%
South Korea	3.5%	4.2%		3.3%	4.3%		3.4%	4.1%	4.1%
India	0.4%	0.3%		0.4%	0.3%		0.6%	1.0%	0.7%
Australia	0.5%	0.6%		0.5%	0.7%		0.5%	0.5%	0.7%
Mexico	0.6%	1.1%		0.6%	0.9%		0.7%	0.6%	0.6%
United States	61.9%	58.4%		62.7%	59.0%		64.7%	61.3%	60.5%
other	10.2%	10.8%		10.4%	12.0%		9.3%	9.4%	10.0%
Total International Exports	**100.0%**	**100.0%**		**100.0%**	**100.0%**		**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**
1) Western Europe	8.2%	7.1%		7.5%	7.9%		7.2%	6.8%	7.3%
2) Eastern Europe	0.2%	1.0%		0.3%	0.7%		0.4%	0.3%	0.6%
3) South East Asia	1.1%	1.8%		1.8%	1.8%		1.3%	1.6%	1.7%
4) Africa (exc. Egypt & Mid-East)	0.2%	0.6%		0.2%	0.5%		0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
5) South America	1.7%	0.9%		1.6%	1.2%		1.3%	1.4%	1.3%
6) Cent. Amer. & Caribb. (exc. Mex.)	0.3%	0.4%		0.4%	0.6%		0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
7) Pacific Rim (including Japan)	25.1%	29.1%		25.1%	27.5%		23.6%	27.0%	27.2%
8) Pacific Rim (excluding Japan)	12.1%	15.7%		12.3%	15.4%		11.5%	12.9%	14.2%
9) Middle East	1.4%	0.9%		1.1%	1.1%		0.9%	0.9%	0.9%

See attached NOTES for countries within listed regions.

B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS to ALL COUNTRIES
– SELECTED COMMODITIES –

	FEBRUARY			YEAR-TO-DATE				
			CHANGE			CHANGE	SHARE	
	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 (%)	2008 (%)
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	**565,080**	**426,111**	**-24.6%**	**1,179,777**	**808,878**	**-31.4%**	**23.3%**	**17.6%**
Lumber (softwood)	368,797	285,445	-22.6%	785,486	530,646	-32.4%	15.5%	11.6%
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	16,787	15,397	-8.3%	33,736	29,906	-11.4%	0.7%	0.7%
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	28,003	17,545	-37.3%	51,410	36,812	-28.4%	1.0%	0.8%
Other Panel Products	48,448	29,043	-40.1%	97,219	59,552	-38.7%	1.9%	1.3%
Selected Value Added Wood Products	53,071	43,997	-17.1%	111,494	83,102	-25.5%	2.2%	1.8%
Logs	29,842	18,642	-37.5%	61,591	40,371	-34.5%	1.2%	0.9%
Other	20,133	16,041	-20.3%	38,841	28,489	-26.7%	0.8%	0.6%
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	**393,000**	**432,137**	**10.0%**	**846,604**	**822,036**	**-2.9%**	**16.7%**	**17.9%**
Pulp	248,157	296,364	19.4%	541,061	546,496	1.0%	10.7%	11.9%
Newsprint	39,819	26,004	-34.7%	87,439	46,246	-47.1%	1.7%	1.0%
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	91,650	96,829	5.7%	188,989	202,745	7.3%	3.7%	4.4%
Other	13,374	12,940	-3.2%	29,116	26,549	-8.8%	0.6%	0.6%
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	**99,083**	**108,590**	**9.6%**	**207,056**	**217,230**	**4.9%**	**4.1%**	**4.7%**
Fruit and Nuts	7,685	10,513	36.8%	19,604	22,534	14.9%	0.4%	0.5%
Vegetables	7,178	6,844	-4.6%	14,841	12,730	-14.2%	0.3%	0.3%
Other	84,220	91,233	8.3%	172,611	181,966	5.4%	3.4%	4.0%
FISH PRODUCTS	**57,465**	**53,177**	**-7.5%**	**115,490**	**104,733**	**-9.3%**	**2.3%**	**2.3%**
Whole Fish;Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	6,089	5,979	-1.8%	12,659	10,678	-15.7%	0.2%	0.2%
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	28,208	25,592	-9.3%	57,128	51,556	-9.8%	1.1%	1.1%
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	4,166	3,010	-27.8%	8,375	7,635	-8.8%	0.2%	0.2%
Other	19,002	18,596	-2.1%	37,328	34,863	-6.6%	0.7%	0.8%
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	**252,538**	**277,116**	**9.7%**	**526,385**	**506,617**	**-3.8%**	**10.4%**	**11.1%**
Copper Ores and Concentrates	93,174	83,876	-10.0%	175,951	131,993	-25.0%	3.5%	2.9%
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	26,054	45,656	75.2%	65,118	76,838	18.0%	1.3%	1.7%
Unwrought Aluminum	44,719	51,426	15.0%	104,229	82,088	-21.2%	2.1%	1.8%
Unwrought Zinc	58,619	61,545	5.0%	116,247	123,731	6.4%	2.3%	2.7%
Other	29,972	34,614	15.5%	64,840	91,968	41.8%	1.3%	2.0%
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	**75,150**	**95,874**	**27.6%**	**155,900**	**186,376**	**19.5%**	**3.1%**	**4.1%**
ENERGY PRODUCTS	**524,058**	**520,114**	**-0.8%**	**1,026,064**	**978,953**	**-4.6%**	**20.2%**	**21.4%**
Natural Gas	257,853	278,899	8.2%	529,239	469,649	-11.3%	10.4%	10.2%
Coal	198,653	183,424	-7.7%	364,314	373,724	2.6%	7.2%	8.2%
Electricity	44,819	28,055	-37.4%	75,999	62,636	-17.6%	1.5%	1.4%
Other	22,733	29,736	30.8%	56,512	72,943	29.1%	1.1%	1.6%
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	**281,689**	**273,806**	**-2.8%**	**554,216**	**533,181**	**-3.8%**	**10.9%**	**11.6%**
Motor Vehicles and Parts	33,902	33,469	-1.3%	67,453	64,541	-4.3%	1.3%	1.4%
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	45,932	59,909	30.4%	94,010	112,720	19.9%	1.9%	2.5%
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip., etc.	36,791	29,738	-19.2%	75,225	59,363	-21.1%	1.5%	1.3%
Other	165,064	150,690	-8.7%	317,528	296,558	-6.6%	6.3%	6.5%
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	**37,588**	**34,809**	**-7.4%**	**77,909**	**64,602**	**-17.1%**	**1.5%**	**1.4%**
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	**50,202**	**91,186**	**81.6%**	**112,734**	**145,848**	**29.4%**	**2.2%**	**3.2%**
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	**13,110**	**10,835**	**-17.4%**	**25,519**	**21,670**	**-15.1%**	**0.5%**	**0.5%**
TEXTILES	**4,315**	**4,518**	**4.7%**	**7,857**	**7,919**	**0.8%**	**0.2%**	**0.2%**
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	**110,506**	**90,803**	**-17.8%**	**238,093**	**185,894**	**-21.9%**	**4.7%**	**4.1%**
GRAND TOTAL	**2,463,784**	**2,419,074**	**-1.8%**	**5,073,605**	**4,583,937**	**-9.7%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS to the U.S.A.
– SELECTED COMMODITIES –

	FEBRUARY			YEAR-TO-DATE				
			CHANGE			CHANGE	SHARE	
	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 (%)	2008 (%)
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	**408,931**	**285,802**	**-30.1%**	**872,921**	**542,587**	**-37.8%**	**27.4%**	**20.1%**
Lumber (softwood)	254,399	178,341	-29.9%	563,418	333,696	-40.8%	17.7%	12.3%
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	15,691	13,551	-13.6%	31,717	26,369	-16.9%	1.0%	1.0%
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	24,355	15,809	-35.1%	45,545	32,389	-28.9%	1.4%	1.2%
Other Panel Products	41,379	24,289	-41.3%	81,840	48,636	-40.6%	2.6%	1.8%
Selected Value Added Wood Products	48,398	39,643	-18.1%	97,363	74,293	-23.7%	3.1%	2.7%
Logs	15,231	6,653	-56.3%	31,714	13,220	-58.3%	1.0%	0.5%
Other	9,478	7,514	-20.7%	21,323	13,985	-34.4%	0.7%	0.5%
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	**158,273**	**174,354**	**10.2%**	**356,544**	**354,611**	**-0.5%**	**11.2%**	**13.1%**
Pulp	62,790	75,103	19.6%	147,572	150,407	1.9%	4.6%	5.6%
Newsprint	20,994	15,360	-26.8%	51,430	29,163	-43.3%	1.6%	1.1%
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	64,205	73,244	14.1%	134,805	153,100	13.6%	4.2%	5.7%
Other	10,284	10,647	3.5%	22,737	21,942	-3.5%	0.7%	0.8%
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	**73,717**	**75,466**	**2.4%**	**155,657**	**147,691**	**-5.1%**	**4.9%**	**5.5%**
Fruit and Nuts	5,684	8,945	57.4%	15,240	18,233	19.6%	0.5%	0.7%
Vegetables	7,158	6,458	-9.8%	14,612	12,197	-16.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Other	60,875	60,063	-1.3%	125,806	117,261	-6.8%	4.0%	4.3%
FISH PRODUCTS	**35,869**	**34,625**	**-3.5%**	**67,564**	**67,241**	**-0.5%**	**2.1%**	**2.5%**
Whole Fish;Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	1,647	1,777	7.9%	2,636	3,501	32.8%	0.1%	0.1%
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	25,490	24,091	-5.5%	48,074	47,727	-0.7%	1.5%	1.8%
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	124	160	29.4%	414	274	-33.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	8,609	8,597	-0.1%	16,440	15,738	-4.3%	0.5%	0.6%
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	**76,677**	**94,090**	**22.7%**	**147,983**	**183,413**	**23.9%**	**4.7%**	**6.8%**
Copper Ores and Concentrates	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	5,177	9,268	79.0%	14,100	17,575	24.6%	0.4%	0.6%
Unwrought Aluminum	3,491	5,274	51.1%	7,872	8,989	14.2%	0.2%	0.3%
Unwrought Zinc	55,762	50,745	-9.0%	102,805	104,918	2.1%	3.2%	3.9%
Other	12,246	28,802	135.2%	23,206	51,931	123.8%	0.7%	1.9%
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	**58,221**	**65,141**	**11.9%**	**119,444**	**123,396**	**3.3%**	**3.8%**	**4.6%**
ENERGY PRODUCTS	**325,760**	**336,903**	**3.4%**	**662,744**	**605,742**	**-8.6%**	**20.8%**	**22.4%**
Natural Gas	257,853	278,899	8.2%	529,239	469,649	-11.3%	16.6%	17.4%
Coal	423	387	-8.5%	1,116	709	-36.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Electricity	44,819	28,055	-37.4%	75,999	62,636	-17.6%	2.4%	2.3%
Other	22,665	29,563	30.4%	56,391	72,748	29.0%	1.8%	2.7%
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	**209,857**	**188,652**	**-10.1%**	**412,122**	**377,432**	**-8.4%**	**13.0%**	**14.0%**
Motor Vehicles and Parts	31,646	29,220	-7.7%	63,139	57,567	-8.8%	2.0%	2.1%
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	34,371	36,772	7.0%	67,971	71,460	5.1%	2.1%	2.6%
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip., etc.	25,070	15,824	-36.9%	48,067	32,667	-32.0%	1.5%	1.2%
Other	118,770	106,835	-10.0%	232,945	215,739	-7.4%	7.3%	8.0%
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	**34,390**	**27,516**	**-20.0%**	**71,698**	**54,635**	**-23.8%**	**2.3%**	**2.0%**
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	**35,713**	**42,206**	**18.2%**	**80,198**	**73,122**	**-8.8%**	**2.5%**	**2.7%**
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	**10,807**	**6,227**	**-42.4%**	**21,579**	**13,739**	**-36.3%**	**0.7%**	**0.5%**
TEXTILES	**2,266**	**1,150**	**-49.2%**	**4,102**	**2,381**	**-42.0%**	**0.1%**	**0.1%**
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	**93,671**	**80,359**	**-14.2%**	**209,716**	**159,420**	**-24.0%**	**6.6%**	**5.9%**
GRAND TOTAL	**1,524,152**	**1,412,491**	**-7.3%**	**3,182,272**	**2,705,410**	**-15.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS to JAPAN
– SELECTED COMMODITIES –

	FEBRUARY			YEAR-TO-DATE				
			CHANGE			CHANGE	SHARE	
	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 (%)	2008 (%)
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	**81,563**	**69,714**	**-14.5%**	**170,731**	**131,193**	**-23.2%**	**26.3%**	**23.6%**
Lumber (softwood)	59,347	53,009	-10.7%	122,729	98,434	-19.8%	18.9%	17.7%
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	0	3	NA	0	3	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	1,142	49	-95.7%	2,251	93	-95.9%	0.3%	0.0%
Other Panel Products	2,809	2,275	-19.0%	7,731	6,056	-21.7%	1.2%	1.1%
Selected Value Added Wood Products	3,445	2,380	-30.9%	10,488	4,178	-60.2%	1.6%	0.8%
Logs	9,231	6,700	-27.4%	19,737	16,868	-14.5%	3.0%	3.0%
Other	5,588	5,298	-5.2%	7,795	5,562	-28.7%	1.2%	1.0%
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	**25,596**	**44,652**	**74.5%**	**59,439**	**57,618**	**-3.1%**	**9.2%**	**10.4%**
Pulp	24,293	43,378	78.6%	57,254	55,267	-3.5%	8.8%	10.0%
Newsprint	657	442	-32.7%	825	766	-7.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	505	665	31.6%	1,145	948	-17.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Other	141	168	19.4%	214	637	197.9%	0.0%	0.1%
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	**8,752**	**5,043**	**-42.4%**	**16,335**	**12,946**	**-20.8%**	**2.5%**	**2.3%**
Fruit and Nuts	1,010	875	-13.4%	1,936	2,894	49.4%	0.3%	0.5%
Vegetables	3	24	617.8%	98	34	-65.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	7,739	4,144	-46.5%	14,300	10,018	-29.9%	2.2%	1.8%
FISH PRODUCTS	**5,413**	**4,456**	**-17.7%**	**13,854**	**8,158**	**-41.1%**	**2.1%**	**1.5%**
Whole Fish;Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	2,987	2,482	-16.9%	5,228	3,526	-32.5%	0.8%	0.6%
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	1,095	758	-30.8%	5,498	1,656	-69.9%	0.8%	0.3%
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	119	0	-100.0%	119	0	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	1,211	1,216	0.3%	3,009	2,976	-1.1%	0.5%	0.5%
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	**133,896**	**132,155**	**-1.3%**	**260,047**	**213,939**	**-17.7%**	**40.1%**	**38.5%**
Copper Ores and Concentrates	80,319	75,319	-6.2%	135,783	123,436	-9.1%	21.0%	22.2%
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	6,178	10,940	77.1%	18,515	20,214	9.2%	2.9%	3.6%
Unwrought Aluminum	32,528	43,465	33.6%	76,340	59,559	-22.0%	11.8%	10.7%
Unwrought Zinc	100	204	104.7%	443	477	7.6%	0.1%	0.1%
Other	14,772	2,227	-84.9%	28,966	10,254	-64.6%	4.5%	1.8%
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	**550**	**736**	**33.8%**	**1,647**	**1,586**	**-3.7%**	**0.3%**	**0.3%**
ENERGY PRODUCTS	**47,736**	**60,308**	**26.3%**	**96,803**	**116,843**	**20.7%**	**14.9%**	**21.0%**
Natural Gas	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Coal	47,736	60,257	26.2%	96,771	116,792	20.7%	14.9%	21.0%
Electricity	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0	51	NA	32	51	61.6%	0.0%	0.0%
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	**4,099**	**2,970**	**-27.5%**	**8,218**	**4,201**	**-48.9%**	**1.3%**	**0.8%**
Motor Vehicles and Parts	63	13	-79.3%	170	24	-86.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	813	667	-18.0%	1,883	1,191	-36.8%	0.3%	0.2%
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip., etc.	891	1,221	36.9%	1,682	1,376	-18.2%	0.3%	0.2%
Other	2,331	1,069	-54.1%	4,483	1,611	-64.1%	0.7%	0.3%
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	**257**	**21**	**-91.7%**	**395**	**68**	**-82.9%**	**0.1%**	**0.0%**
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	**4,832**	**3,737**	**-22.7%**	**13,369**	**7,419**	**-44.5%**	**2.1%**	**1.3%**
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	**502**	**410**	**-18.3%**	**1,081**	**500**	**-53.7%**	**0.2%**	**0.1%**
TEXTILES	**31**	**1**	**-96.3%**	**49**	**22**	**-54.4%**	**0.0%**	**0.0%**
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	**5,371**	**393**	**-92.7%**	**6,009**	**876**	**-85.4%**	**0.9%**	**0.2%**
GRAND TOTAL	**318,598**	**324,596**	**1.9%**	**647,977**	**555,369**	**-14.3%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

BC STATS

(Rev 2 '05, Rev 1 '06, Revised Preliminary '07)

Source: Statistics Canada and BC Stats

B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION (2007 membership)*
– SELECTED COMMODITIES –

	FEBRUARY			YEAR-TO-DATE				
			CHANGE			CHANGE	SHARE	
	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 ($,000)	2008 ($,000)	2007-08 (%)	2007 (%)	2008 (%)
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	**31,366**	**25,168**	**-19.8%**	**54,197**	**50,470**	**-6.9%**	**14.2%**	**13.6%**
Lumber (softwood)	24,154	19,404	-19.7%	40,519	35,837	-11.6%	10.6%	9.6%
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	820	853	3.9%	1,415	1,648	16.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	1,831	1,498	-18.2%	2,767	3,326	20.2%	0.7%	0.9%
Other Panel Products	249	263	5.6%	322	925	187.8%	0.1%	0.2%
Selected Value Added Wood Products	341	275	-19.3%	1,311	495	-62.2%	0.3%	0.1%
Logs	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Other	3,970	2,875	-27.6%	7,863	8,238	4.8%	2.1%	2.2%
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	**47,724**	**30,108**	**-36.9%**	**85,082**	**83,222**	**-2.2%**	**22.2%**	**22.4%**
Pulp	43,807	29,552	-32.5%	77,073	76,155	-1.2%	20.1%	20.5%
Newsprint	0	0	NA	0	106	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	3,880	421	-89.2%	7,941	6,782	-14.6%	2.1%	1.8%
Other	37	135	267.1%	68	179	163.4%	0.0%	0.0%
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	**2,458**	**2,498**	**1.6%**	**5,562**	**4,271**	**-23.2%**	**1.5%**	**1.1%**
Fruit and Nuts	217	12	-94.3%	865	48	-94.5%	0.2%	0.0%
Vegetables	0	56	NA	19	139	621.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	2,241	2,429	8.4%	4,678	4,084	-12.7%	1.2%	1.1%
FISH PRODUCTS	**4,333**	**3,117**	**-28.1%**	**9,302**	**8,406**	**-9.6%**	**2.4%**	**2.3%**
Whole Fish;Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	270	335	24.3%	721	472	-34.5%	0.2%	0.1%
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	931	490	-47.4%	2,088	1,522	-27.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	2,802	1,920	-31.5%	5,841	5,791	-0.8%	1.5%	1.6%
Other	331	372	12.4%	652	620	-4.9%	0.2%	0.2%
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	**11,458**	**17,434**	**52.2%**	**32,179**	**43,759**	**36.0%**	**8.4%**	**11.8%**
Copper Ores and Concentrates	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	10,209	15,346	50.3%	21,809	28,948	32.7%	5.7%	7.8%
Unwrought Aluminum	191	275	44.2%	380	549	44.7%	0.1%	0.1%
Unwrought Zinc	0	1,166	NA	0	1,609	NA	0.0%	0.4%
Other	1,058	647	-38.9%	9,990	12,653	26.6%	2.6%	3.4%
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	**863**	**1,186**	**37.4%**	**2,333**	**2,071**	**-11.2%**	**0.6%**	**0.6%**
ENERGY PRODUCTS	**51,129**	**60,884**	**19.1%**	**109,746**	**101,051**	**-7.9%**	**28.7%**	**27.2%**
Natural Gas	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Coal	51,124	60,868	19.1%	109,728	101,027	-7.9%	28.7%	27.1%
Electricity	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Other	6	15	172.3%	17	25	43.5%	0.0%	0.0%
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	**39,873**	**34,123**	**-14.4%**	**65,824**	**59,396**	**-9.8%**	**17.2%**	**16.0%**
Motor Vehicles and Parts	519	1,169	125.3%	876	1,817	107.5%	0.2%	0.5%
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	5,138	11,373	121.4%	11,579	19,671	69.9%	3.0%	5.3%
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip., etc.	6,015	5,766	-4.2%	13,621	10,699	-21.4%	3.6%	2.9%
Other	28,200	15,814	-43.9%	39,749	27,209	-31.5%	10.4%	7.3%
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	**752**	**505**	**-32.8%**	**1,536**	**904**	**-41.1%**	**0.4%**	**0.2%**
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	**2,221**	**2,971**	**33.8%**	**5,056**	**6,798**	**34.5%**	**1.3%**	**1.8%**
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	**1,147**	**1,575**	**37.3%**	**1,702**	**3,597**	**111.3%**	**0.4%**	**1.0%**
TEXTILES	**109**	**226**	**106.6%**	**209**	**425**	**102.9%**	**0.1%**	**0.1%**
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	**5,870**	**4,826**	**-17.8%**	**9,980**	**7,756**	**-22.3%**	**2.6%**	**2.1%**
GRAND TOTAL	**199,304**	**184,620**	**-7.4%**	**382,709**	**372,126**	**-2.8%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

* Note that as of January 1, 2007 the European Union expanded to include two new members: Bulgaria and Romania. These figures include those countries.